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REMARKS

Applicant has amended claims 1, 4, and 8, to better exemplify the current invention. In particular, the applicant has added a "bond" between the appropriate amino acids, and has added the appropriate Sequence ID No., after claims 1, 4, and 8, as such these claims should be in a condition for allowance. In addition, applicant has reinserted the withdrawn text from claim 6.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant requests reconsideration of the rejection.

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